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1. YUGOSLAVIA: Byrnes opposes further UNRRA shipments -- Byrnes has directed that all appropriate means be taken to stop further shipments of UNRRA supplies to Yugoslavia, in view of that country's "outrageous and unfriendly conduct."

Rights of US citizens violated—US Charge Shantz in Belgrade reports that Yugoslav authorities have consistently violated the rights of US citizens residing in Yugoslavia. Shantz cites many cases of claimants to US citizenship being held in concentration camps, forced into slave labor, denied access to US representatives and refused exit visas.

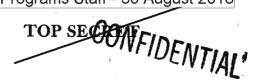
2. FRANCE: Left-wing Socialists favor pro-US policy--A left-wing Socialist leader has informed Caffery that the left-wing Socialists desire "above all" friendly cooperation with the US. He added that they will attempt, at the current Socialist Party Congress, to have the Party adopt a "new orientation," neither pro-MRP nor pro-Communist.

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Extension of fishing and whaling areas—In commenting on Soviet objections in the FEC to extension of Japanese fishing and whaling areas (see Daily Summary of 5 August, item 11), SCAP points out that (a) current fish consumption accounts for practically all animal protein in the Japanese diet, (b) additional fish supplies will reduce requirements for food imports, and (c) former fish consumption levels cannot be approached without the extensions authorized by SCAP on 22 June and 6 August. SCAP observes that Japanese fishing in the extended areas "does not preclude ... other nations from sending vessels to fish in the international waters of these areas."

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- 4. PHILIPPINES: Filipino veteran question--General Christiansen reports that US treatment of Filipino veterans has received "stinging denunciation" in the Philippine House of Representatives.
- 5. N.E.I.: British intentions at Batavia -- US Consul General Foote reports that Lord Killearn now is established at Batavia with a large staff. His intentions are to "see the lay of the land" and to "shuttle between Singapore and Batavia." Foote comments that the British apparently intend to mediate or otherwise supervise Dutch-Indonesian negotiations.